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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: YOUR VISIT TO THE LAW OF THE
SEA CONFERENCE THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9

S/S NO. 7616836

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM MAW AND LEARSON

REF: SECTO 20016

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1. SUMMARY

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THE FOLLOWING IS OUR RECOMMENDATION ON YOUR SCHEDULED VISIT TO THE LOS NY SESSION THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9. WE BELIEVE THAT A ONE-DAY VISIT WILL BE SUFFICIENT FOR OUR PRESENT PURPOSES. A SUBSTANTIVE OVER-VIEW TELEGRAM WILL BE SENT TO YOU LATER WHICH WILL PROVIDE AN UP TO DATE ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS AND HOW THEY RELATE TO YOUR VISIT. THIS TELEGRAM WILL ALSO RELATE FIRST VISIT TO FOLLOW-UP VISIT NOW PLANNED FOR AUGUST 24-26.

2. PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 13:

9:30 AM

ARRIVE LAGUARDIA. MET BY UNDER SECRETARY MAW, AMBASSADOR LEARSON AND MR. OXMAN WHO WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO ACCOMPANY YOU AND BRIEF YOU ON PROGRAM AND CONFERENCE EVENTS.

9:55 AM

ARRIVE AT UN HEADQUARTERS

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

TEN MINUTE VISIT WITH ACTING PRESIDENT, MINISTER JENS EVENSEN (NORWAY). YOU WOULD THEN BE JOINED BY CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP INCLUDING THE THREE COMMITTEE CHAIARMEN: PAUL ENGO, CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE I (CAMEROON), ANDRE AGUILAR, CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE II (VENEZUELA), ALEXANDER YNAKOV, CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE III (BULGARIA), AND ALSO ALAN BEESLEY, CHAIRMAN DRAFTING COMMITTEE (CANADA), KENNETH RATTRAY, RAPPORTEUR GENERAL (JAMAICA) AND BERNARDO ZULETA (UN UNDER SYG). EXCEPT FOR AGUILAR, THE ABOVE ARE THE SAME PEOPLE YOU MET WITH THIS SPRING. (CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SESSIONS START AT 10:30 AM).

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BILATERAL MEETINGS WITH SELECTED HEADS OF DELEGATION.
(YOU WILL FIND BELOW A LIST OF COUNTRIES WITH WHICH WE REC OMMEND BILATERAL MEETINGS.)

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12:30 - 1:00 PM

PRESS CONFERENCE - THERE ARE TWO OPTIONS FOR MEETING THE PRESS: /A/ PRESS CONFERENCE FOR ENTIRE UN/NY PRESS CORPS WITH QUESTIONS ON LOS MATTERS ONLY, OR /B/ SHORT PRE;S

BACKGROUNDER ITH SELECTED SMALL GROUP OF MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES AT UN, ETC. ON LOS.

OPTION /A/ ENTIRE PRESS CORPS

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OPTION /B/ SHORT BACKGROUNDER FOR SELECTED SMALL GROUP

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1:15 - 3:00 PM

LUNCH WITH MEMBERS OF THE GROUP OF FIVE (UK, USSR, FRANCE, AND JAPAN). THERE WOULD BE AN OPEN DISCUSSION OF CERTAIN ITEMS AND WE WILL BE SENDING BRIEFING PAPERS ON EACH TOPIC.

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3:00 - 3:30 PM FREE TIME

3:30 - 6:30 PM

ADDITIONAL BILATERALS (SEE LIST BELOW).

3. BILATERALS

WE RECOMMEND BILATERALS IN THE ABOVE SCHEDULE BOTH IN THE MORNING AND IN THE AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY. THE LIST OF COUNTRIES GIVEN BELOW REPRESENTS COUNTRIES WHICH PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS (FOR BETTER OR WORSE) OR WHICH WE HAVE A SPECIAL REASON TO MEET WITH. SINCE COMMITTEE I IS THE MOST CONTENTIOUS AREA AT THE MOMENT, WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO MEET WITH HEADS OF DELEGATION AND

IN SOME CASES, ALSO WITH THE COMMITTEE I REPRESENTATIVES.
YOU WILL PROBABLY HAVE ONLY TIME FOR SIX BILATERALS.

A. BRAZIL AND PERU HAVE BEEN KEY TO OUR ADVANCE IN
COMMITTEE I AT THE LAST CONFERENCE SESSION AND ARE KEY AS
MODERATES OF G-77 IN THE PRESENT ATMOSPHERE. WE ALSO
NEED TO DEAL WITH THEM ON THE ECONOMIC ZONE AND SCIENTIFIC
RESEARCH. WE SUGGEST YOU MEET WITH BOTH SEPARATELY.

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B. EGYPT IS LEADING THE ARAB WORLD IN OPPOSITION TO OUR
BASIC POSITION IN COMMITTEE I AND HAS DIRECT INTEREST ON
STRAITS.

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C. USSR IS AGAINST US ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND QUOTAS
AND ALTHOUGH YOU ARE MEETING WITH THEM AT G-5 LUNCHEON,
YOU MAY BE ABLE TO MAKE SOME POINTS WITH THEM PRIVATELY.

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D. AUSTRIA IS THE LEADER OF THE LAND-LOCKED GEOGRAPHIC-
ALLY DISADVANTAGED STATES GROUP AND IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE
FOR YOU TO HEAR FIRST HAND THE POSITION OF THIS GROUP.

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E. KENYA IS A KEY AFRICAN LEADER IN COMMITTEES II AND III.

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SHOULD THERE BE ADDITIONAL TIME IN YOUR SCHEDULE (I.E.,
LATER IN THE EVENING OR THE NEXT MORNING) YOU MAY WISH
TO MEET WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL COUNTRIES:

A. MEXICO IS CURRENTLY A LEADER OPPOSING THE CURRENT

TEXT IN COMMITTEE I AND HIGH SEAS STATUS OF THE ECONOMIC

ZONE IN COMMITTEE II. IT CHAIRS THE ENLARGED COASTAL
STATE GROUP IN COMMITTEE II.

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B. INDIA IS ADVOCATING THE STAGGERED ACCESS SYSTEM AND
MAY HAVE PERHAPS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL POSITION IN THE 77
ON COMMITTEE I PROBLEMS AS WELL AS OTHERS.

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C. GHANA IS THE AFRICAN LEADER IN COMMITTEE I. WE
REALIZE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GHANA IS DIFFICULT, BUT
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WE BELIEVE YOU SHOULD CONSIDER INCLUDING A BILATERAL
WITH GHANA BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE.

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D. GERMANY: WE HAVE NO BASIC PROBLEM WITH GERMANY BUT
THE PURPOSE WOULD BE TO STIFFEN THEIR BACK WITHIN THE EC
GROUP.

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4. WE NEED YOUR GUIDANCE ON WHETHER AND HOW TO INFORM
OTHER COUNTRIES YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND AUGUST 24-26.

OPTION 1.

THAT AMBASSADOR LEARSON INFORM DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK.

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OPTION 2.

THAT THE DEPARTMENT PRESS SPOKESMAN MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

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OPTION 3.

THAT YOU FOLLOW UP ON YOUR PREVIOUS MESSAGES TO
SELECTED FOREIGN MINISTERS AND INFORM THEM OF YOUR PLANS.

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OPTION 4.

THAT YOU BY PERSONAL MESSAGE INFORM SELECTED
FOREIGN MINISTERS; SUBSEQUENT TO DELIVERY OF
MESSAGES, AMBASSADOR LEARSON BE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM DELS
IN NEW YORK; WITH A LATER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE
DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN.

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